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Statement from Representative Hazelle P. Rogers

"I am deeply disappointed by the news that members of a church in North Florida would even consider burning the Qur'an in displays of intolerance. I urge those individuals to reconsider their actions and statements.

"I believe our great country and constitution is centered on the concept of freedom of religion. As someone who is elected from a very culturally diverse population, it pains my heart that any of our state's residents would behave in such a manner that is inconsistent with American values and traditions. The burning of the Qur'an would be a clear sign of hate and disrespect that should be admonished.

"I encourage residents of my district and my colleagues in the Florida House of Representatives to speak out against this protest in the memory of those who died on September 11, and for the families forever touched by the horrific incidents of that day nine years ago."

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